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Clients have domain profiles but I want to change the domain name on
reload

(new company). What is the best way to migrate old domain profiles to new
domain?

Advise them that this will cause a lot of hassle and estimate it at 2-5
hours per desktop, depending on your experience. You basically will want to
create new profiles, reboot the system (critical step), login as local
administrator (critical not to login as a user), then copy the old profile
over the new one.

Define "did not have a good backup". Do you have any backup? Just because it
seems it's not a good backup, that may not necessarily be the case.
Sometimes it will fail because some files are in use but otherwise be good.

Define "hard drive died". Blue screen on boot? Won't spin up?

Login to each desktop with cached credentials. Take their Outlook clients
into offline mode and export their mailbox to a PST. While you are at it,
reset the built-in local Administrator's password as you will otherwise find
yourself locked out. You may want to get Microsoft involved in this as well.

You now have an opportunity to setup SBS for fault tolerancy. I posted in
the past some suggestions how it should be setup.

I'd consider contacting a company such as Drive Savers as it is unlikely
that their company data is intact either. I have a discount code for them,
if you want to try going that route.

You should never have only one disk in the server.

—
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